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FOR HORNBLow (NEA/PAB) FROM BLOCH

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CDES, AF (MOOMAW, SHELDON)

SUBJECT: DEATHS: SHELDON MOOMAW AND KESLER TETER

REF: KABUL 5141 AND PREVIOUS

1. INFORMATION BEING SENT TO YOU SINCE YOU ARE MOST FAMILIAR WITH CASE.

2. ON EVENING OF AUGUST 8 AMERICAN ALPINE CLUB EXPEDITION LED BY SCHELDON MOOMAW RETURNED TO KABUL FROM CLIMBING SITE IN NORTHEASTERN AFGHANISTAN AND INFORMED EMBASSY THAT EXPEDITION LEADER, SHELDON MOOMAW AND GROUP MEMBER KESLER TETER WERE KILLED IN FALL FROM SUMMIT PLATEAU AT 23, 500 FEET. THEY REPORTED THAT BODIES CAN NOT BE RETRIEVED.

3. INTERESTED PARTY TELEGRAMS WERE SENT TO WIVES OF MOOMAW AND TETER BY FIVE SURVIVING GROUP MEMBERS ON AUGUST 9. WIVES OF DECEASED WERE INSTRUCTED TO CALL YOU AND GIVE TELEPHONIC AUTHORIZATION FOR SAMUEL ROBERTS (GROUP MEMBER) TO TAKE CUSTODY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND TAKE THEM WITH HIM BACK TO U.S. TO RETURN TO NOK.

4. ALSO REQUEST YOU PROVIDE ME, BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM, UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH HOME TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF MOOMAW AND TETER. GROUP WISHES TO CALL NOK WHEN THEY GET TO EUROPE WHERE THERE IS GOOD TELEPHONE CONNECTION TO U.S.

TONIA MOOMAW (WIFE)

29792 PRESTON DR.

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA. 92677

SHIRLEY TETER (WIFE)
30254 UPPER BEAR CREEK RD.
EVERGREEN, COLORADO 80439

5. YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO NOTIFY AMERICAN ALPINE CLUB, 113
EAST 90 ST., NEW YORK, N.Y. 10028, TEL (212)722-1628.
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